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- A Happy and Prosperous New Year To All -

John Gamache Passed Away on Sunday

Was Member of 192nd Battalion;
Blacksmith for Fifteen Years.

John Gamache, aged 58 years, died suddenly at the miners' hospital at 11:30 Sunday evening. He had only been admitted to hospital a few days before, having been taken there by ambulance when his condition was seen to be becoming worse.

Born at Algoma Mills, Ontario in 1892, he came west 33 years ago and opened a blacksmith shop at Beaver Mines, in partnership with his brother-in-law, Mr. E. Picard. He became a member of the 192nd battalion of the Crows Nest Pass and served overseas. Following the war he came back to the Pass and secured employment as blacksmith at McGillivray triple. He had held that position ever since.

In 1928 at Blairmore he married Mrs. Ida Nicholson. They lived for a year or two on Second street and several years ago moved to West Coleman where they have resided since. Two children, a son, aged 12, and a daughter, aged 8, survive, beside the widow. A sister, Mrs. E. Picard, of Blairmore, and a brother, Edward, of Beaver Mines also survive.

Deceased was well known and esteemed by his fellow workers. The funeral took place Thursday morning, the body being brought to Holy Ghost church where Requiem Mass was sung. The casket was draped with the Union Jack, pallbearers being former members of the old 192nd battalion and included Gus Howe, Joe Howe and John Angus McDonald, of Blairmore, and Alex. Easton, George Derbyshire and Harold Houghton. Rev. Father Henderson, of Bellevue, officiated. The graveside service was conducted by Rev. Father Leo Sullivan, the Legion's burial service being conducted by Harold Houghton. Many friends and acquaintances attended the funeral.

Dr. Rose Gave Interesting Address to First Aid Classes

Holds Audience's Rapt
Attention on By-Products of
Coal—Congratulated
on Speech.

On Sunday, December 22, in the high school auditorium, Dr. C. Rose concluded the year's work of the Coleman Branch of the St. John's Ambulance Association with a very fine lecture on the products of coal tar.

Ranged on the table before him the doctor had placed a bewildering array of articles of every hue and shade, running all the way from knobs to jelly beans.

Dismissing the products of coal such as gas, coke and so on, with a mere mention, Dr. Rose then told of the importance of the few gallons of tar found in each ton of coal. By producing over half a million substances, scientists have shown that black, smelly tar disproves the theory that "there is nothing new under the sun."

Classifying the products into groups for simplicity, Dr. Rose then explained how many other substances were extracted or derived from benzol, toluol, and other basic substances. The ramifications were amazing, for on one substance alone, an entire industry might depend; refrigeration, photography, or the entire explosive industry.

Particularly attractive was the display of the so-called aniline dye group, but probably of more importance were the medicinal drugs and anesthetics, aspirin, acetophen, novocaine, heart remedies and many others. However, chief among these was sulfanilamide, one of the greatest medical discoveries of modern times.

University students home for the holidays include the Misses Muriel Naylor and Megan Jones and Messrs. Jerry McIntyre, Dave Jones, Alan Short, Wilfred Hoyle, Eldia D'Appollonia and Ian Smith.

Briefs of Interesting Incidents Recorded in The Journal from Jan. 1 to Dec. 19, 1940

Some Happenings Throughout the Year Recorded in The Journal Issues:

Jan. 4, 1940—Canadian Legion Club opened with address by George Kellock, honorary president.

Canadians beat Stampede in fast game by score of 4-2. Rediskey, Sprout, Loney and Fraser were scorers for Coleman.

Jan. 11—Death of Mrs. W. H. Hayson recorded on January 6 after lengthy illness. Salvation Army launched campaign for war charities. Curling started at the week-end, being delayed through lack of ice and mild weather.

Jan. 18—Journal contained report of 55th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew McLeod, which was on Dec. 31, 1935. Enquiry into milk supply of Pass towns opened at Blairmore by Board of Public Utilities.

Jan. 25—Death of Alex. M. Morrison, killed at Vancouver, on January 21. He lived for 32 years in Coleman. Zak's store narrowly escaped destruction by fire. Joe Planto's father died at Glen, 80 years old. Joe Urbaska accidentally killed in McGillivray mine by falling coal.

Feb. 1—Mayor Pattinson tendered vote of thanks by council and ratepayers at annual meeting. (Now living in Victoria). "Duke" Keats supported by Canadians' hockey club. William White announces candidature for mayoralty.

Feb. 8—John S. D'Appollonia nominated for mayoralty. Candidates for council: William Chapman, George Ford, Angelo Gentile. For school trustees: R. M. Greenhalgh, William Martland, John Lloyd, Joe Janostak.

Feb. 15—Death of Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General, occurred on Feb. 12. Independents announced contention to nominate candidate against Social Credit government.

John Pietraszko's death reported in Genoa, Italy, following his flight from Poland on outbreak of war. John Panek of West Coleman died Feb. 13.

Successful municipal candidates were John S. D'Appollonia, mayor; Neville Chamberlain, councilor; John Lloyd and Joe Janostak, school trustees.

Feb. 22—C. J. Tompkins of Blairmore nominated independent candidate for Crows Nest-Pincher Creek at open convention at Lundbreck.

Wm. Fraser re-appointed chairman of school trustees.

Ironsides & Park announce opening of establishments here. Feb. 29—Mayor Andrew Davidson of Calgary announced to address mass meeting in support of C. J. Tompkins at Blairmore on March 7. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ryppien honored on their 35th wedding anniversary.

March 7—Canadian Hockey Club announced annual meeting for following Sunday. Everett Bulman takes over Sam's Service Station.

G. Rider Davis announces candidature for Federal election for Conservative party. F. O. McKenna nominated as Liberal candidate. E. G. Hansell for Social Credit.

March 14—Italian Lodge celebrated 34th anniversary, with visitors from all towns from Fernie to Bellevue.

May 7—Enoch Williams of Blairmore nominated as Labor candidate for provincial elections.

March 21—New town hall is advocated to keep step with development of town.

Mrs. Frank Creegan died at Medicine Hat on March 16. Mrs. Dan Kyle died at Hillcrest on March 13.

March 28—Liberal government returned by overwhelming majority to continue Canada's war effort. E. O. Duke returned as Social Credit member in provincial election.

Ernest G. Hansell returned for Federal house.

April 4—Polish Society held protest meeting against invasion by Germany.

Sergeant James Cawsey, R.C.M.P., awarded long service medal for 20 years service.

St. Alban's church made appeal for \$1,000 for rectory improvements.

Messrs. McBurney, Nurcombe, Rippon and Barnes played golf on March 30 at Blairmore.

April 11—Death of Mrs. W. Oliver reported at Blairmore.

Damage to houses in West Coleman reviewed by council, caused by mining beneath townsite.

Polish Society forwarded resolution to Dominion government expressing loyalty to Canada.

Mrs. Henry Claes died on April 10.

A. Pollack's house destroyed by fire April 10.

April 12—Ralph Rippon instantly killed at International mine tippie on April 11. Funeral held Sunday following.

United church observed 24th anniversary. Artificial ice against discussed for Coleman arena.

Miners voted on choice of unions for Coleman miners. Miss's home in West Coleman destroyed by fire.

April 25—Mary Atkinson, Doris Bowen, Peggy Emmerson and Joanna Flynn will graduate as nurses at Victoria early in May. Steve Janostak reported to have reached Australia on world travels. H. T. Halliwell went east to attend annual meeting of Ontario-Quebec division of Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association at Windsor, and the directors meeting of the organization at Ottawa.

Council authorized clean-up of cemeteries. Coleman church choir won Pincher Creek trophy in Crows Nest Pass Musical Festival, Dr. C. Rose conductor.

May 2—Pass miners celebrated May Day in Coleman. George Jenkins re-appointed president of tennis club.

Several milk peddlers fired for selling below standard price. Two men stabbed in scrap near The Motordrome.

May 8—Reported that Premier Neville Chamberlain may resign and Coalition government formed in Great Britain.

H. C. McBurney elected vice-president Alberta Hockey Association.

May 16—Purchase of War Savings Stamps urged to help Canada's war effort. Special article published by Journal.

Miners Union and Companies conference results in decision that open shop will be continued.

Child missing after rescued from Old Man River by Frank Horatio in East Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reid announced intention of leaving for Barkerville, B.C., at end of month.

May 23—Sam Sagoff awarded contract for surfacing sports field.

East Kootenay Power Co. place guards at plant to prevent sabotage.

Curfew bylaw resuscitated owing to complaints of annoyance caused by young children on streets.

Five-team football league proposed between Lethbridge, Coleman, Blairmore, Pincher Creek and Claresholm.

Tillie Minzule of Blairmore won first place in musical festival at Lethbridge, in girls' solo class.

Coleman Homing Society's first pigeon race of the season on May 19 from Calgary.

May 30—Legion branches would present one of foreign languages and confederation of all fire arms in hands of people of foreign birth.

Coleman people attend farewell to Calgary Highlanders on their leaving for Camp Shilo, Man.

Baseball game between Coleman and Blairmore ended in disorder.

June 6—Mrs. Alex. Beck, pioneer resident, passed on, June 4. Funeral held on June 6.

Black bear killed in town suburbs by J. Lardinois.

School trustees decree that flag saluting ceremony be held daily.

New parking bylaw introduced by council.

Frances Short and Dorothy Cooke receive Gold Cord from Girl Guides.

June 13—John S. D'Appollonia voluntarily resigns mayorship owing to Italy's entry into war. Councilor Gentile resigned for same reason.

Coleman decides to purchase Red Cross Ambulances.

Assessment rates set for town at 45 mills to include schools assessment.

Rev. H. J. Bevan moves to Cayley.

June 20—Mrs. Charles Nicholas died suddenly at noon.

Lions Society in Coleman gives \$1,000 toward Ambulance fund.

Prime Minister Churchill announces to world that "Britain will Fight Alone" following collapse of France.

June 27—Fred Antrobus elected mayor by acclamation on resignation of Mayor J. S. D'Appollonia.

George Jenkins and Frank Abousafy to council to fill vacancies.

Ambulance Fund committee forwarded \$3500 to Calgary to purchase ambulances for overseas services.

Dr. Carpenter urged more shop work in schools.

July 4—Bellevue and Hillcrest give two ambulances to Red Cross.

Introduction of Rev. J. E. Kirk, B.D., to pastorate of St. Paul's church.

Lt. Fitch welcomed as Salvation Army officer to Coleman.

T. T. Halliwell presided at national convention of Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association in Calgary, followed by trip to Banff, Lake Louise and Jasper Park Lodge by visiting newspaper people from eastern provinces.

Word received from Steve Janostak that he was in Ceylon, home-bound.

July 11—Rev. Father Dunbar honored by parishioners prior to leaving to commence duties as military chaplain.

July 18—Rush for marriage licenses prior to men being called for compulsory training.

Slovak Society sponsored banquet for Red Cross.

July 25—Steve Janostak arrived home after trip to India and Australia. Away nearly six months.

Coleman hospital received gift of iron lung from Lord Nuffield.

Death of Mrs. Margaret Mitchell recorded, 65 years old.

Death of Hugh McColl at 93 years of age.

Local Czechoslovak people proclaim their loyalty.

August 1—Frank Hosok of Bellevue awarded Toronto Conservatory of Music violin scholarship for 1940.

Council refuses to open account in Treasury Branch.

Vandalism reported in West Coleman; many windows in school broken.

August 8—Mrs. Joe Sikora died suddenly August 4, aged 36 years. McLeod Stone combination won tennis tournament.

Local water supply given unfavorable report.

August 15—Coleman Elks stage monster carnival to aid local community funds.

B.C. forest fires reported out of control.

Fred Founds honored by Canadian Legion.

August 22—"Will Canadians Function This Winter?" was live topic.

August 29—General Manager George Kellock makes trip from Lethbridge to San Diego by plane in one day.

Enemy aliens ordered struck from relief rolls.

Sept. 5—General Manager George Kellock died suddenly on morning train en route to Calgary. Forest fires break out north of Natal, B.C.

Journal awarded trophy for best paper in its class at annual meeting of Alberta Division of Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association.

Sept. 12—Funeral of George Kellock in Calgary attended by many from all parts of Alberta.

Legion starts overseas comforts fund.

Second War Loan of Dominion for \$300,000,000 is launched.

Sept. 19—Freda Antrobus goes to Toronto Conservatory of Music.

Household Economics and Shop Work classes for adults opened as night classes in school.

Work started on Grand Union hotel improvements.

Sept. 26—Wilfrid Dutil re-elected president of Red Cross Society.

Three children refusing to salute flag expelled from schools.

Dr. C. Rose elected president of Lions Club.

Oct. 2—Laurie McLeod shoots down a Nazi plane.

Coleman makes efforts to secure senior hockey team.

School attendance reported at 604 pupils.

Oct. 10—Coleman schools win inter-scholastic track meet at Blairmore.

32 local youths called for military training at Red Deer.

Lions Club held first supper meeting with 20 present.

Canadians drop from senior hockey league at Calgary meet.

Oct. 17—Tom Blower died suddenly on Oct. 15 after 30 years residence in Coleman.

St. John Ambulance Association banquet and presentation of awards.

Red Cross second campaign of present war starts in Coleman.

Oct. 24—Albert F. Short appointed vice-president of local coal companies.

Lions District Governor attends meeting of local club.

Flight-Lieutenant McDowell returns from England for instruction duty in Canada.

Oct. 31—A. McCulloch appointed president of St. John Ambulance Association.

34 Coleman men now overseas with C.A.S.F.

Local unit of Women's Auxiliary Training Corps organized.

Nov. 7—Cole's Theatres in Pass put on benefit shows for Red Cross.

Red Cross campaign showed better receipts than 1939.

Miss Gladys Lees appointed secretary of town, Miss Audrey Halliwell leaves for Toronto.

Nov. 14—Fire destroyed Zak's Meat Market in 20 below zero weather early morn of Nov. 11.

Stalled motorists experience wild night on snow blocked highway west of Coleman.

Rev. J. R. Hague delivered stirring address at Remembrance Day service.

Nov. 21—Eastern Star Chapter observed 20th anniversary.

William Taylor appointed president of Badminton Club.

Di Randall, old timer, died on Nov. 13.

Nov. 28—Philip Baker of Lethbridge presented charter to Lions Club.

Mickey Hennessy, former miner in Coleman, died in Calgary.

Mrs. A. W. H. McLeod celebrated 81st birthday.

Dec. 5—Gordon Nurcombe of Canadian Bank of Commerce commissioned as flying officer.

Local sale of War Savings Certificates.

560 Children Attended Elks Christmas Matinee

Youngsters Receive Bags of Confectionery; Elks Give Christmas Hampers to Needy.

560 happy children were gloriously entertained by Coleman Elks Lodge on Christmas Day to a free show at the Palace theatre, at which all were given a liberal supply of candies, oranges and nuts in individual bags from Santa Claus in person. As they left the theatre the streets were filled with delighted youngsters whose Christmas had been made merrier by the kindness of the Elks, whose annual Christmas treat is a big event in the young people's holiday pleasures.

A committee of twenty had been kept busy Sunday evening filling 583 bags with nuts, oranges and confectionery. The surplus is given to the Salvation Army, to pass it on to other kiddies attending the annual Christmas tree concert in the Army hall. George Brown, chairman, and his committee can feel justly proud of their good deed to Coleman youngsters.

Christmas hampers to the value of \$110.00 were distributed to local needy families. A committee had interviewed the council for a list of needy families, so that no one deserving would be missed.

The Elks lodge has received very little publicity regarding their humanitarian efforts towards Coleman needy and alone to worthy welfare homes. Each year they sponsor a carnival which is nobly supported by townspeople as well as a number of other Pass citizens. From the proceeds they give the Coleman youngsters a Christmas treat which amounts to several hundred dollars and many hours of fun and frolic. In addition they give Christmas hampers to Coleman needy. Various children's homes throughout the province are given from their fund.

One instance is told, where, through the financial help of the local lodge one child is alive and well and will be ever grateful to Coleman Elks lodge for providing serum to fight against her sickness.

Even the Milk Fund in Lethbridge a few years ago was enriched by a cheque from the local lodge simply because the members considered it a worthy cause deserving their help.

Two successful years have found the Elks winning the provincial shield for the best record for community work in their town, a record of which they can justly feel proud.

Coleman citizens are greatly appreciative of the fine work they are doing and many in straitened circumstances have found life made a little easier through the kind work of Coleman Elks.

GAMBLING DEN RAIDED

The premises of C. L. Goody on main street east, were raided on Monday, December 23, by Constable Antle and several assistants. Twelve frequenters were placed under arrest and their names taken. Mr. Goody was brought before Fred Antrobus, J.P., and pleaded not guilty to the charge of keeping a gaming house. His case will again be brought before the court Monday. F. O. McKenna, K.C. of Pincher Creek, will appear for defendant.

WM. FRASER SR. WON PLANE

Wm Fraser sr. was the lucky winner of the beautiful plane raffled by the Canadian Legion cigarette fund committee at the club room on Monday evening. The draw was made by a Coleman soldier.

A net profit of \$7.00 was derived and has been turned over to the fund. The plane was built and donated by George Derbyshire, whose skill in building miniature models of modern planes is hard to beat.

Soldiers who spent the Christmas holidays at their homes here included Oscar and Herman Hirsch, Wm. Nincan and Elsie Krywick, of Edmonton Fuelers; Mel Cousins, Geo. Evans, Wm. Volendort, Forestry Branch and George Burtulis, of the Petro Co.; Lewis Brown, of the S.A.R.

Safeguarding An Investment

Decisions of considerable importance to the economic interests of the people of Western Canada were made at the recent annual meeting of the On-to-the-Bay Association in Saskatoon when resolutions were passed asking for a Western Board of Management for the port of Churchill and for a joint through railway rate tariff on grain moving from all Western Canadian points to the Bay outlet.

In the light of the half century history of the struggle of the people of Western Canada to secure the short route from the prairies to European markets and to maintain it in operation once it was established, the On-to-the-Bay Association is fully justified in taking whatever steps may be necessary to see that the investment of \$55,000,000 in the Hudson Bay route is fully protected, and that it is made to yield dividends for the people whom it was designed to benefit—the people of the prairie provinces.

That the Association means business is evident from the fact that it was decided to call a conference of all Western Canadian representatives in Parliament before the next session of the House to place before them the program outlined in these important resolutions.

The history of the campaign for the construction of the Hudson Bay route and its facilities, and of the efforts to make even limited use of the route once it was established, demonstrates the necessity for the further development of this avenue of trade being placed in the hands of a group who will have a single eye to the interests of the people who put up the money—for it must not be overlooked that \$55,000,000 of the \$77,000,000 which represents the actual costs of Churchill and the railway, was raised by the sale of Western lands specifically earmarked for that purpose.

Plenty Of Opposition

When the project was first announced it was immediately opposed by Eastern interests to such good purpose that 40 years was consumed before construction was begun. The project was opposed by the fact that to handle the produce of Western grain fields and such inbound cargoes as might be available. In the meantime, valuable years were lost and \$6,000,000 wasted in the attempt to make Port Nelson the terminal of the system, an effort which, had it been successful, would have wrecked the entire project.

Since the completion of construction, years of drought and depression combined, according to G. A. Hunt, with continued opposition on the part of other interests, have conspired to prevent good use being made of a utility which, otherwise, should already have yielded substantial returns to the Western farmers equivalent, according to a number of authorities, to anywhere from six to eight or nine cents per bushel of wheat.

That some of the prairie legislatures have recognized the great potential value of the Hudson Bay route to Western agriculture and Western business is evident by the fact that the Bay route out of politics and that all political parties in the west have stood behind the project and it can only be assumed that the Alberta legislature has not to date also pledged its support to this cause because of pressure of other matters upon its attention to the exclusion of this important question.

It is a matter of congratulation that the On-to-the-Bay Association has pursued the wise course of keeping the Bay route out of politics and that all political parties in the west have stood behind the project and its development to its maximum potentialities. It is to be hoped that the Association will continue to be able to present this highly important venture from becoming a political football. It is too valuable to the entire populace of the west to be sacrificed on the altar of partisanship.

Up To The People

In view of the strength of the opposition, first to the construction and establishment of the Bay route, and later to its effective operation, it is essential that the people of Western Canada keep a watchful eye on this project. So that, whether or not good use of it is made during the war, the termination of hostilities will find the utility unimpaired and capable of immediate operation. It would be disastrous if, for instance, after the war is over, efforts could be made to induce the people of the west to abandon this asset, on the ground that, because of dentistry, the roadbed had disintegrated and facilities decayed, and that rehabilitation would not be worth the price.

If a Western Management Board with farmer representation, as suggested by the On-to-the-Bay Association, were appointed now, such a disaster as that suggested here could not very well happen without the people of Western Canada getting some knowledge of what was occurring, and moreover, the Board would be able to see that the investment is maintained intact against the day when the signals are set for full speed ahead.

The Board, too, would be able to fulfil a very useful function in the interim. Its main objective, of course, would be to promote traffic for the route on both sides of the Atlantic. This will involve the preparation of many plans, the development of contacts and a great deal of other spade work. Even if, for any reason, valid or otherwise, the route cannot be used for commercial purposes while the war is in progress, if this preliminary work were undertaken in the meantime, the day will be hastened when full use can be made of the opportunities that lie ahead.

Most important of all, it is up to the people of Western Canada who have invested in this utility, to determine whether it is to serve the purpose for which it was intended. Individually and through their various organizations they must watch over it and further its development on all occasions and at every opportunity.

Want Their Siren

English Villagers Revolt When County Police Ordered It Silenced

The London Daily Mail says: Villagers of Box, England, are in revolt because the county police silenced an air raid siren. Robert Dyer, 63-year-old clerk to the parish council, who was paid 50 cents a week expenses for sounding the siren, asked for 20 cents more. The county police ordered the siren removed, and now 2,700 people of Box want to know why. Dyer refused to allow an electrician to take the siren from his garden. The villagers declare that Dyer is entitled to an increase to meet lighting, heating, cleaning and telephone expenses. They think it is too much to expect one man to be on duty 24 hours a day for the duration of the war. The people have appealed to the Minister of Home Security to keep the siren operating.

Two Centuries Ago

Diary Entry In The Year 1678 Speaks About Bombs

In the "Diary" of John Evelyn, who was born 320 years ago, there is what is probably the first allusion ever made to bombs. An entry under the year 1678 reads as follows: "Five devils, murdering, mischief-doing engines, called Bombs, shot out of the mortar-piece on Blackheath." Little did he realize that a descendant of those devilish engines would crash through the roof of his friend Christopher Wren's masterpiece—Manchester Guardian.

Modest Youth

Canadian Soldier In England Refuses To Brag About Exploit

Twenty-year-old Pte. Jack Droye, of Vancouver, is a modest lad who has turned out to be somewhat of a hero in the 2nd Canadian division.

A few weeks ago he went to London on leave. There was plenty of bombing and he returned to camp without any unusual yarns.

Then a letter came to a senior officer from the division from the Red Cross, informing him of valuable service Droye gave when he helped rescue survivors from a building shattered by Nazi air attacks.

The youth didn't tell anyone about the exploit—not even Lieut. William Ferguson of Winnipeg, whose batman he is. And he doesn't want to talk about it much yet.

"Aw, let's not make a fuss about it; that sort of things goes on in London every night," he said.

It has been discovered that certain chemical agents which make water "wetter," and are contained in some new form of soap, also kill numerous kinds of deadly germs. The agents make water so "wet" that it penetrates through the feathers of birds, even waterfowl.

"Five dollars if you can tell me which is the Bluegrass State," said the radio quiz master. But he failed to hum "My Old Kentucky Home," which made it tough.

Birds' ancestors were reptiles, and feathers have evolved from scales.

Walking Sticks

The Cane Industry Still Flourishes In Britain

Over a remote fifteen-mile stretch of the Surrey-Exeter border they are now cutting the "small wood" for the world's best walking sticks.

Shrewd country eyes have measured up a copse of ash or hickory, chestnut, blackthorn, oak or furze. Before they begin their cutting they could tell almost exactly what a copse would hold for them in walking sticks or shepherd's crooks, umbrella handles, Scout poles or hikers' "tumb sticks" anything up to five feet in length.

They make all of these, some for the United States, some for the dominions. The walking sticks come first. It is an English habit, especially in American eyes, to carry a walking stick, and walking stick suppliers in the United States still stipulate for "Downland ash" when they want the finest. It comes from a farm where the work of the original craftsman is being carried on to-day by his three surviving sons, two sons-in-law, and two grandsons. The natural cross-head ash from these Downs is as good walking stick material as can be found anywhere. Straightroot ash is good, too, and the polished roots become attractive bangles to a straight stick.

The wood for shepherd's crooks is put into fine hot sand over a slow furnace and brought to the pliability of rubber. If in turning it in the vice, the outer bark comes off, the stick is put aside; a barked stick is the most valuable.

The craftsmen who do the job well were all born in or before 1860, the last on the Downs. It is a traditional English industry quietly flourishing in the midst of war.

Look For Metals

To Make This Continent Independent Of Foreign Sources Of War

The newest effort to make countries of the western hemisphere independent of foreign sources of war materials was announced by Harold Ickes, United States secretary of the interior.

In a press conference statement he said that six scientists of the United States geological survey are en route to Bolivia, Cuba and Brazil to explore areas which may furnish tin, tungsten, manganese, chromite and antimony, as well as other metals essential in the western hemisphere defence program.

All of these are listed as either "necessary" or "critical" materials in the production of steel and lightweight alloys for aircraft construction, and most of them have in the past been imported from far eastern and European countries. These supplies have either been curtailed or cut off entirely by the present war.

Was Prize Attraction

Brahma, German Circus Elephant

Lived More Than 100 Years

Brahma, the only elephant in the world to have owned a private railway car, died at Munich, Germany, at the age of one hundred and some years.

He was one of the prize attractions of the German Circus Krone and one of the biggest elephants ever to have been in captivity. In size he surpassed even P. T. Barnum's mammoth pachyderm, the legendary Jumbo.

His owner, Carl Krone, had built for him a special railway car in which Brahma travelled four times around the globe. Described in his youth as malicious, Brahma developed into Circus Krone's pride and joy and was for many years the leading elephant of the largest elephant show ever known.

Taxes In Australia

Habitual moaners who spend a lot of time bawling the ruinous character of Canadian taxes, please take a look at Australia. There income is five per cent. on taxable incomes of \$1,065; 25 per cent. on \$3,550; and 50 per cent. on incomes above \$5,325.

We are passing through a time that history will probably never see again. Be certain that you are playing your part to the limit of your ability.

Borely—Tell me how I can make a great hit at the banquet to-night. Peedeku—When they call on you for a speech just refuse.

Tent-pens made from beechwood grown in the Chiltern Hills of England go to all parts of the world, for army use.

Before wire nails were produced early in the 19th century, nails were made from flat sheets of iron and steel.



Slanders Hurt War Effort

Lies About Canadian Red Cross Society Are Exposed

Few organizations in Canada have been more severely criticized by whisperers than the Canadian Red Cross Society. No sooner is one lie exposed than a second is invented and given wings. The latest fiction about this patriotic organization is that the chairman and the secretary are drawing fabulous salaries. The sole purpose of the truth-tellers is to hamper the Red Cross in its humanitarian work.

It has been whispered around that Dr. Routley receives a salary of \$17,000 or more per annum. The Globe and Mail has reason to know that this is utterly false, the fact is that the combined salaries of the national commissioner (Dr. Routley), the assistant national commissioner and their secretaries (both highly trained young women) total only \$13,600. Moreover, Dr. Routley gave up a private practice which yielded him more than double his present salary to take on the Red Cross work.

Neither the chairman nor any other person on the national executive receives any remuneration. The same applies to the patriotic and distinguished men and women who are devoting time and talents to the direction of this great organization.

It has been said in criticism that Red Cross funds are not audited. The truth is that the Red Cross is the most thoroughly audited society in the Dominion.

Falselyhoods about the Red Cross are invented by malicious enemies to shut the gates of mercy and impede the war effort.—Toronto Globe and Mail.

May Train Mechanics

Would Provide Instruction For Canadian Active Force

Canada-wide facilities of the youth training programme may be used to provide instruction in certain trades for selected men from the Canadian active army, it was learned authoritatively at the Labor department.

Consideration is being given the proposal, but no decision has been announced. It is understood close to 5,000 men would be involved. The youth training branch has already co-operated with the defence department in providing courses for some 600 men who attended classes as part of their military training.

For the past 18 months, the branch has been training men to prepare them as far force ground mechanics and for war industries. Schools in existence and facilities of all technical schools were used during the past summer season.

Milk kept in a roomy, shallow basin will keep sweet longer than if put in a jug.

In the Hawaiian islands, white violets grow on stalks four feet high.

Turkish Air Force

Is Modelled On Same Lines As The R.A.F.

With the exception of Soviet Russia, Turkey's Air Force is stronger than any of her neighbors, possessing a front-line strength of between 300 and 400 aircraft, including some of the most modern fighters and bombers, and what is more important still, great potential reserves of pilots and flying and ground crews.

The Turkish Air Force is modelled on much the same lines as the R.A.F., which is not very surprising, since most of the flying instructors are British. Their officers and mechanics wear an almost identical uniform, and many of their best machines are British. The others are either American, French, Polish, or German.

The force is famed for the exceptional flying ability of its pilots—especially flyers. They have a daring and speed of action which is comparable with that of our own men.

Any aggression against them will be met by a well equipped, well armed, and equally well versed in all the wiles of air strategy.

Turkey's Air Force is controlled and operated by the General Staff at Ankara. In order that it may play its aggressive part in any land activities, a bureau of 12 senior officers, under the command of a colonel, is included on the General Staff.

In the last three years the Turks have made up for previous neglect.—Reynolds News, London.

SELECTED RECIPES

CREAM PIE

- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 3/4 tablespoons Durham corn starch
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 1/2 cups hot milk
- 2 egg yolks
- 1 teaspoon pure vanilla
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1/2 cup pie shell
- Meringue of 2 egg whites and 1/4 cup sugar

Combine 1/2 cup granulated sugar thoroughly with corn starch and salt. Stir in hot milk. Stir and cook in double boiler until mixture has thickened smoothly. Cover and cook, with occasional stirring, until no raw flour remains. Stir into slightly-beaten egg yolks, return to double boiler and stir until eggs have thickened. Remove from heat and add vanilla and butter. Cool partially, then turn into baked pie shell. Cover with meringue of egg whites, few grains salt and 1/4 cup fine granulated sugar. Brown delicately in a slow oven, 300 degrees F.

Coconut Cream Pie: Add two-thirds cup shredded coconut to filling, with vanilla, sprinkle meringue with coconut before browning.

JELLO PLUM PUDDING

- 1 package Jell-O or cherry Jell-O
- 1/2 Dash of salt
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon cloves
- 1 pint hot water
- 3/4 cup finely cut raisins
- 3/4 cup finely cut cooked prunes
- 3/4 cup finely cut citron
- 3/4 cup finely cut nut meats
- 3/4 cup Grape-Nuts

Combine Jell-O, salt, and spices; add hot water and stir until Jell-O is dissolved. Chill. When slightly thickened, fold in combined fruits, nuts, and grape-nuts. Turn into mold. Chill until firm. Unmold. Serve with foamy sauce or with whipped cream flavored with nutmeg. Serves 10.

Note: One-fourth cup brandy may be added with fruits, if desired.

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The rays are produced by a new type X-ray tube of 1,000,000 volts invented by technicians of the General Electric Company. It has been installed in a special building with walls three feet thick, to inspect huge machinery parts.

The tube was developed originally at the request of Memorial hospital, New York, for cancer work.

In terms of radium, the tube's rays are equivalent to about 900,000 worth.

X-ray inspection of machinery is an established industrial process. The method has uncovered interior flaws which otherwise would have gone unnoticed, but the time necessary to take pictures through steel has been a handicap.

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British Use Blitzkrieg Tactics In North African Offensive

London.—Great Britain, using Hitler's own blitzkrieg tactics, knocked out 175 Italian planes in the first 12 days of their North African offensive, while losing 14 of their own, the air ministry news service announced.

Eighty-eight of the Fascist planes were shot down in the air and 86 destroyed on the ground or captured. Pilots of five of the 14 British planes lost were reported safe.

Co-operation between ground, sea and air forces in the attack which drove the Fascists out of Egypt was described.

"British (air) fighters maintained continuous contact with our advancing troops," the news service declared.

While battleships and destroyers bombarded the Italians from the Mediterranean and the tanks and infantry trucks advanced, British planes sought out Italian planes or exposed Italian troops.

Bombers, the news service continued, battered forts and airbases, transport parks, troop concentrations, munition and gasoline dumps. On the whole they depended more on the planes armed with eight machine guns than on dive bombers to demoralize the Italian troops, the account said.

On Dec. 9 every Italian airbase "from Derna to Sidi Barrani" was heavily raided.

"Eighteen enemy aircraft were de-

stroyed. Two of our aircraft were lost, but the pilots escaped."

The air bombardment continued all that night and the following day as the Italians retreated towards the frontier city of Bahig.

"For the next 72 hours the same harassing tactics were employed, bombing and machine-gunning being almost continuous from dawn to dusk... Italian troops and motor transport were relentlessly attacked and became increasingly demoralized," according to the news service. "A particularly heavy attack was made on Tobruk (Libya), where petrol stores were set on fire and ammunition dumps blown up. Heavy raids also were made on Bardia, where a large dump of stores was destroyed. The Italians moving along the coastal road to Tobruk were 'repeatedly machine-gunned,' the news service said.

At Salum, 15 planes were captured on the ground because 'air-dromes had been rendered unusable by low flying attacks during the previous week.'

On the night of Dec. 17, the Benina airbase received 'the heaviest attack yet launched since the beginning of the offensive and 18 planes were destroyed on the ground.' On the following night the barracks, motor transport parks and garages at Derna were reported set on fire and on Dec. 19 troop concentrations and motor transport northwest of Bardia were attacked.

Should Be Controlled

Suggestion Made That Government Supervise Any Imports Of Butter

Ottawa.—With the possibility ahead that Canada may need to import butter to bolster disappearing stocks, a spokesman of the wartime prices and trade board told The Canadian Press it was felt any such importations should be under government supervision.

Many suggestions have been made to the board that in case of a butter shortage the ban on importation of oleomargarine, now in force, should be lifted but Hector McKinnon, chairman, said such a proposal had never been considered and the board believed Canada's needs should be met, if necessary, by importation of butter rather than oleomargarine.

On May 1 last year Canada's butter reserves were 10,000,000 pounds and, accordingly if during the five months from Dec. 1 to May 1 increased consumption continues, the present reserves would be wiped out before May 1, even if production was stepped up to the rate of last year.

Ethiopian Revolt

Natives In Abyssinia Take Opportunity To Oust Italians

London.—Revolt in Ethiopia against the Italian forces of occupation "appears to be making progress," Richard Butler, under-secretary for foreign affairs, informed the House of Commons.

"Information as to conditions in Abyssinia (Ethiopia) is naturally difficult to obtain," Mr. Butler said, "but the movement of revolt against the Italians appears to be making progress."

"It is the policy of His Majesty's government to extend to Emperor Haile Selassie, as well as to all elements within Abyssinia willing to bear arms against the enemy, all possible assistance in their fight for freedom."

Would Buy Plane Motors

Canada Negotiating For Sixty Which Are Stored In Mexico

Mexico City.—The Canadian government is negotiating for the purchase of 60 Wasp 1,100-horsepower airplane motors stored the last two years in a workshop of the Mexican air force.

Negotiations are understood to be in progress with Indalecio Prieto, representing the interests here of the defunct Spanish Republican government. The motors originally were sent from the United States en route to Spain, but before the trans-shipment was effected the Spanish civil war came to an end.

Gift For Coventry

Wilmington, Del.—The American Viscose Corporation announced its 17,000 employees sent \$11,500 as a Christmas gift to its plant in Coventry, England, to aid victims of the bomb-stricken city.

HAS TOUGH TIME



General Ugo Cavallero, chief of the Fascist General Staff since Marshal Badoglio resigned, finds he has inherited a bed of thorns rather than roses. With Italian troops retreating before the British onslaught in northern Egypt and Libya, and with the Greeks making the Italians run in Albania, General Cavallero has a few worries on his shoulders.

Home For Christmas

Alaskan Trapper Adopts Method Of Flaggling Passing Aeroplane Anchorage, Alaska.—After spending the last eight months in the Alaskan wilderness, Prospector Fred Hume couldn't bear the thought of being alone at Christmastide so he successfully cried "wolf" to a passing airplane.

Hume ran out of his isolated cabin and set fire to a spruce tree beacon near the letters "H L P" he had traced in the snow with branches. The plane circled the spot, but could not land because it was not equipped with the necessary skis.

Pilots arranged for a physician to accompany one of them on what they assumed would be another "mercy flight."

Bad weather held up the flight until last Wednesday. Pilot Roy Dickson set out with Dr. A. S. Walkowski in a pontoon-equipped plane and alighted on a lake near the cabin.

Hume met them in good health but all packed to leave. He said he was tired of the wilderness and wanted to go home to Valdez for Christmas.

He said he had tried for 20 days to attract a plane's attention with letters sketched in the snow, but they went unnoticed until he hit upon the idea of burning a tree.

Burden Becomes Heavier

Vichy.—The official journal disclosed that the Bank of France had increased from 65,000,000,000 to 75,000,000,000 francs a provisional non-interest loan to the French government to pay the costs of German troops garrisoned in occupied territory.

Leave Versailles

Paris, (Delayed).—via Berlin.—German troops have moved out of Versailles, seat of the kings of France, apparently in anticipation of the arrival of Chief of State Petain.

British Naval Raid In The Adriatic A Significant Move

London.—British naval raiding deep into the Adriatic, Italy's private sea, chalks up another score against Mussolini's shaken, if not tottering, Fascist regime. It reflects soaring British hopes of knocking Italy out of the war before the struggle between Germany and Britain enters its decisive phase.

That raid means that the Italian army in Albania, probably greater in size than the shattered force in Libya, is in deadly peril. Its vital southern defensive flank shores are already crumbling under Greek mauling, now helped by the British naval attack; and its life line to Italy is fractured.

Britain risked battleships in the Adriatic raid. That is the significant fact about the action. Light British naval forces have stabled before through the narrow Straits of Otranto at Italian shipping serving the forces in Albania.

Risking battleships in such narrow waters, fringed by Italian shore batteries, naval and air bases, is another matter. It was a bold move strongly indicating sure knowledge by the British high command of widening demoralization in Italian forces, even at home.

Presumably the big ships lay off shore at the mouth of the straits to pound Valona at long range, aided by aircraft fire spotting. It would be deadly fire under such conditions against so large a target.

The mouth of Valona bay itself is supported by the fortified Italian island of Saseo. It was the eastern pillar of Italian defenses of the entrance to the Adriatic even before Italian seizure of Albania. It made any Albanian resistance to Italian invasion via Valona impossible.

British battleships hammering Valona probably kept out of range of Italian guns at Saseo, using

high-angle fire. If they actually approached the entrance of Valona bay it would be conclusive evidence that Italy has already abandoned that port as indefensible and fallen back up the Adriatic to maintain crippled communications with her Albanian army.

The size of that army now is only conjecturable. It probably exceeds the 250,000 maximum reported for the Italian Libyan army at the time it invaded Egypt.

The British forces have captured 35,000 or more Italians in Egypt and Libya. Another 20,000 is cooped up in Bardia, probably lost to Italy. Add probable battle casualties in Egypt and Libya—dead, wounded and stragglers—and a third of the original Italian force may have been put out of commission in two weeks; while in Albania II Duce is threatened with even greater disaster.

Just what Mussolini's axis mate, Hitler, can or will do to help him remains to be seen. Shutting Italian reinforcements in Nazi transport planes to Albania would not seem an adequate answer, although it has been reported. Use of German bombers to help keep the Adriatic free of British warcraft and Greek-British air attacks would seem more practical. No heavy fighting equipment of consequence yet travels by air.

Yet the mere fact that the Germans are reported to be ferrying Italian reinforcements to Albania by air is cumulative evidence that Italy's short-haul communications by sea with her Albanian army are badly impaired. The British heavyish incursion into the Adriatic tends to clinch the impression that Mussolini's boasted air force and submarine weapons again have failed him against British sea power as his armies have failed him against Greek and British counter-offensives.

Naval Operations In Mediterranean Are Disclosed In Detail

London.—The admiralty, in a lengthy communique on naval operations in the Mediterranean, disclosed in detail how the fleet, striking with air and sea working with the Royal Air Force and the land forces, helped drive the Italians from Egypt into Libya in one of the most co-ordinated offensives in military history.

Observers have already pointed out that this desert "blitzkrieg" was closer to "total blitzkrieg" than anything the Nazis had tried, because of the navy's important role. No naval operations were involved in the Nazi drive into France last summer.

Beginning with the congratulatory message sent by the first lord of the admiralty and the first sea lord to the Mediterranean fleet, the communique set forth day by day and step by step, in terse form, the duties carried out by the navy as an indispensable part of the land, sea and air drive against the Italians.

Behind the official phrasing of the communique was the story of fleet bombardment of coastal objectives and bases under attack by the land forces; of sallies by torpedo-carrying planes against enemy shipping, and of methodical harassing of the enemy's retreat.

At one stage the communique disclosed that naval co-operation was brought to a standstill during one day, partly because of the "exceeding rapid advance of our troops." This, said the communique, "had led to some degree of uncertainty as to the military situation."

The message of congratulations said: "The great work accomplished by your command, including the fleet air arm, in co-operating with the army and the Royal Air Force in the heavy defeat inflicted on the enemy in Egypt is very much appreciated. Please convey our congratulations to all concerned. Good luck to you in the rest of the operations."

After detailing the operations to date the communique ended with: "Naval operations in support of the army continue."

Operations off the Egyptian and Libyan coast began, from a naval point of view, on Dec. 8, a Sunday, the day before it was disclosed that a British thrust had begun. During that night the Italian base camp at

Natade was sunk, when it "attempted to interfere with our operations."

Swordfish aircraft struck again at Bardia Dec. 10-11 in conjunction with a heavy sea bombardment.

"Throughout the whole operation," the communique said, "aircraft of the fleet air arm co-operated with great success both with the Royal Air Force and with our bombing forces."

Stimulate Production

New High Command Has Been Appointed By President Roosevelt

Washington.—President Roosevelt designated two of his defence commissioners and his war and navy secretaries as a new high command charged with the job of stimulating the United States to greater arms production.

He asked William S. Knudsen, now industrial production boss of the defence commission, to serve as director of a new organization—an office for production management for defence.

That office, he explained, will be carried by authority of the government Reorganization Act of 1939. Sidney Hillman, in charge of labor problems for the defence commission, will be assistant director, and Secretaries Henry Stimson and Frank Knox will be the other members.

Christmas Truce

Bombay.—Mohandas K. Gandhi, Indian Nationalist leader, proclaimed a Christmas truce from Dec. 23 to Jan. 4, in the Congress party's campaign against Indian participation in the war.

Will Be Looked After

Canadians In Hospital In Britain To Have Their Christmas

Toronto.—National officials of the Canadian Red Cross Society announced that Christmas dinners and parcels will be provided for Canadian troops in hospital in Britain by the society's overseas representatives.

The last report received at Toronto headquarters showed that the 600-bed Canadian Red Cross hospital in England—known as No. 5 Canadian General Hospital—was full and that there were almost 500 patients at No. 15 Canadian General.

Sets Good Example

Kenora, Ont.—Mayor J. P. Williams of Kenora has distributed his annual salary of \$600 to charitable and war service organizations here. He did the same thing a year ago, expressing the opinion that no one should accept remuneration for public service during the war.

Snow At Malta

Valetta, Malta.—Snow fell here on the heights of this British mid-Mediterranean island for the first time since 1904.

Churchill Has Every Faith In Britain's Ability To Win War

London.—Amid a hubbub of predictions on both sides of the Atlantic that the Nazis will launch a gigantic attack on Great Britain within months, Prime Minister Churchill sounded a significant note to parliament.

He made it abundantly clear that Britain is being geared for an offensive of her own in 1941, not merely for defence. He radiated supreme confidence in Britain's ability to withstand any blow Germany may strike by land, sea or air, and to hit back effectively.

A still "half armed" Britain would become a "well armed nation" in 1941 with United States help, he said, adding:

"That will open possibilities (of offensive warfare) which have not been open to us up to the present."

Mr. Churchill confirmed the impression that Britons expect an early offensive against Britain because they figure Hitler's need is desperate. The disasters suffered by his Italian axis mate in Albania and Egypt and the squeeze of the British blockade are forcing him to a final supreme effort. Indications that the United States policy of total aid for Britain shortly of war will become effective in 1941 is another factor bearing heavily on Berlin, according to the British view.

The prime minister warned that "the mortal dangers" of invasion or a "prolonged deadlock" are not pass-

ed. Yet the main theme of his address to parliament, keyed to ever-growing British victory over Italy in Egypt and Libya, was preparation for attack, not defence.

Mr. Churchill recalled having said to parliament recently Britain's war effort was geared for a struggle that might last into 1943 or 1944. He corrected that to deny that he expects the war to last that long, adding that he meant merely the effort must be great enough to meet any eventuality.

The address also confirmed anew the impression that the British offensive in Egypt and Libya was planned months ago, as far back as July. Although Britain was then in far greater danger of a Nazi blitzkrieg invasion than she is now, she began to ship troops, tanks and guns eastward, he said.

That means that the British eastern victories were not a by-product of Italian defeat by Greece, but planned from the very outset of the battle of Britain six months ago. Mr. Churchill's expectation obviously is that if Hitler strikes full force at Britain within two months, he will meet a crushing repulse.

That is the 1941 opportunity, Mr. Churchill foresees. It would open the way, in his judgment, for a British counter-attack in any of several war theatres—an attack which might end the war quickly

PRISCILLA LANE—CHRISTMAS SPIRIT



Christmas will be celebrated twice by Priscilla Lane, who is shown above decorating the Yule tree for the first occasion in a scene from the picture "Four Mothers," in which Priscilla, as the youngest Lemp, is the first down to the tree on Christmas morning.

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Mr. Wright joined the CBC in 1937 as drama producer, and is now senior producer for the Prairie Region. Among his recent productions are: "It's A Racket," a dramatic expose of criminal activities, based on actual Canadian court cases; The Minstrel Jam-boree and The Merry-makers Revue, variety programmes; and the Winnipeg contributions to the CBC historical series, "Within These Walls."

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NOTES AND COMMENTS

THOUGH it is a holiday week, some work has to be done, even if our inclination turns more towards simple pleasures at this glad season than to business affairs. As a prelude to the holiday season, Prime Minister Churchill's message to the Italian people and to Mussolini in particular was a "scorcher", stating he would rip their African empire "to shreds and tatters," if they continued the war.

THERE is a part of the prime minister's speech which serves to strikingly contrast the democratic and totalitarian forms of government. He stated: "It is all one man, who against the crown and the royal family of Italy, against the Pope and all the authority of the Vatican and the Roman Catholic church, against the wishes of the Italian people, who had no lust for this war, has arrayed the trustee and inheritors of ancient Rome upon the side of the ferocious pagan barbarians. There lies the tragedy of Italian history and there stands the criminal who has wrought a deed of folly and of shame."

IN Great Britain every important move in the war has to be placed before Parliament, which represents the masses. There is no half-heartedness on the people of Britain to prosecute the war to a decisive finish, for even now they are contemplating the time when they will land armies in Europe to free subdued nations from the oppression of Nazism. Such determination and the ability to endure hardship and suffering springs from the hearts of people who will never become servile to dictators. This attitude exists in the hearts and minds of democratic peoples throughout the world, which is the prime reason that the United States and other countries on the American continents are giving aid in war materials and ships to Britain. Hitler's brand of terrorism only serves to increase determination to prove that might isn't right, and that the right will eventually prevail, as all history proves.

DESPITE the war, the Christmas spirit prevailed in goodly measure. Christmas trees in homes with their electric illuminations show that not only in the hearts of children is this glad season welcomed, but that adults as well take as much pleasure in the occasion as the youngsters. Parents take delight in decorating the tree, in giving surprises to the children, in putting festive touches around the rooms, or in placing an electrically lighted tree on the lawn. The grim reminder that we are at war is seen in the uniforms of soldiers and airmen, home on leave, but that only serves to heighten the Christmas spirit and remind us that while we in Canada enjoy immunity from terrorism, people in Britain will snatch their enjoyment between air raid shelters and what of home is left to them. Their spirit arouses the admiration of the world.

OCCASIONALLY you will hear someone remark that Christmas isn't like it used to be. Nothing is as it used to be, for time brings changes. Familiar faces pass from the kaleidoscopic scenes of life. Desires change. Some who live more in the past than in the present sigh for "the good old days," as they are oftentimes misnamed. But who would want to return to conditions of the old days? Consider the experiences of those who pioneered. Would you want to live under such conditions if better were available? Who wants to spend all day travelling fifty miles when it can now be done in an hour? What matronly housewife wants to do the family washing the old way when an electric washer will do the work? Who wants to use candles or coal oil lamps when electric light is ready at the turn of a switch? Memories may recall the old days, particularly at Christmas time, but a little reflection will quickly convince us that we have conveniences, which make life more enjoyable, such as our grandfathers never dreamed of. Life always is a process of evolution, and the only regrettable thing is that inventions of scientific and resourceful men intended to benefit the world are being used for destruction. One question at times if this is a really progressive civilization we are experiencing, or are we fundamentally the same as the cave men who went out to club each other into submission? Each can answer the question for himself, but out of all the welter and conflict, there will surely emerge a better day.

RADIO broadcasts from the commanding officers and troops of the Canadian Army in Britain were heard across Canada and heartily enjoyed. The words of confidence and cheery optimism from General McNaughton and Brigadier Pearkes, as well as from those of lesser ranks, were inspiring to the people of Canada, and the words of appreciation they expressed for the kindnesses of our people made everyone feel that what little they have done to make Christmas happier for the boys over there was worth while. The messages from the people in Britain, as well as the King's broadcast, impresses us with the thought that "There'll Always be an England" as long as such a fine spirit exists under trial and terrorism.

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(By BRIDGET)

Alas—Poor Horace! A
Short Story of His Brief
Life and Insignificant End.

This week I want to tell the story of poor Horace. Now Horace despite his name, was no historic figure, simply a white-faced steer. That was his first mistake; a white-faced steer has no business appearing in a respectable Shorthorn herd. However, we cannot altogether blame Horace for his white face; his mother, I fear, must have chosen her husband from outside the select herd. Horace was a misfit from the beginning; fat, with affectionate eyes and drooping mouth; no fencer could keep Horace from going where he had a mind to go; and, in fact, he wanted to go everywhere; he was gregarious to the nth degree. In the pig pen he would make friends with any pig who would bear with him, and subdue deterred him not from following any sow around who seemed to be a good provider. If a bucket of skim milk was around, Horace would always find it, and, in his eagerness, upset it, and lick it off the ground.

Horace was exasperating; shoes, pails, and firewood would be hung at him; but he would still hang around, preferring abuse to inattention. So the months rolled on, and Horace became larger and stuffer, and more curious about life in general. Once he got his head stuck in a pail very firmly, and started to back; and on he bucked until he backed into a six-foot hole, in which he subsided. All that was to be seen was the pail-adorned head of a white-faced pawing creature. It took two men to get the pail off his head, then Horace raised his head and belched his disgust. Threshing 1940 arrived and Horace was 9 months old, and much as we hated to lose the little pest, the best way was that Horace must provide the necessary money for groceries for threshing. The big boss felt Horace should buy ample; he was fat, having spent his whole existence fighting the pigs' milk and chop. The day Horace was to die, I closed the windows and the doors, as I felt I could not bear to hear any dying moans from the poor beastie.

The next day the threshers came. A load of hay was put for them. A road to be used for pork (change of diet being tempting to the appetite), and a large bit of bacon was the least I could manage for threshers meals for two days. These items came to approximately \$5. When the threshers for Horace arrived, I discovered it had taken the whole quarter of poor Horace to provide the meat for 5 meals for threshers. I felt that he had been sacrificed in vain, he could have fed us all winter, but we should have hated to see him have had Horace served up in us twice a day. It was unfortunate we could not have got three kinds of meat off poor Horace. Horace, however clever could not grow one leg of pork on him, even though he held such close associations with the pigs; and, by the same pullinallinity of nature, could hardly be expected to produce a portion of fat streaked with lean, suitable for bacon; but that just shows you that Dame Nature isn't all she's cracked up to be.

One quarter from our dear lad must have weighed about 60 pounds and the meat bought with the proceeds thereof only weighed about 25 pounds. Added to the difference in apparent value of Horace's body to the butcher, and the butcher's meat to us, there was the small item of Horace's coat. I am sure Horace's coat will make some one a valuable and ornamental floor rug or rugby robe; I feel I should have liked to at least have had that memento of our dear boy beloved but departed Horace with us always.

I hate to go into any restaurant these days for fear I may have a bit of Horace served up to me! A plate of oxtail soup might contain portions of the dear deceased

tail that used to wag when I approached (I must own, not out of pleasure), but with the purely utilitarian object of keeping off the flies. This weather makes us wonder why steers and the like are better equipped to deal with the fly situation than the "higher animals."

I don't know if this tale has any moral, except to prove once again what fools we farmers are, that we alone amongst producers sell and buy at prices fixed for us by persons who have not (and why should they have since we are such fools?), our best interests at heart. I do feel that poor Horace was sacrificed in vain, and his white face shines in my dreams, illuminated by the dark, affectionate eyes, and the stupid, drooping mouth. Poor Horace!

All of which reminds me of that classic (author not known), entitled, "On a Cow," which is, perhaps, worth repeating here:

"The cow is a female quadruped with an alto voice and a countenance in which there is no guile. She collaborates with the pump in the production of a liquid called milk, provides the filler for hash, and at last is skinned by those she has benefited, as mortals commonly are. The young cow is called a calf, and is used in the manufacture of chicken salad."

"The cow's tail is mounted aft, and has a universal joint. It is used to disturb marauding flies, and the tassels on the end has an unique educational value. Persons who milk cows and come often in contact with the tassels have vocabularies of peculiar and impressive force."

"The cow has two stomachs. The one on the ground floor is used as a warehouse and has no other function. When this one is filled the cow retires to a quiet place where her ill manners will occasion no comment and devotes herself to belching. The raw material thus conveyed for the second time to the interior of her face is pulverized and delivered to the secondary stomach, where it is converted into cow."

"The cow has no upper plate. All of her teeth are parked in the lower part of her face. This arrangement was perfected by an efficiency expert to prevent her from gumming things up. As a result she bites up and gums down. A slice of cow is worth 8 cents in the cow, 14 cents in the hands of the packers, and \$2.40 in a restaurant that specializes in atmosphere."

Christmas Breezes From The North Fork

Recalls Old Time
Christmas Festivities.

Well here it is holiday time again and when we get to thinking of all the Christmases and New Years we have spent in Alberta we get to feeling a little old like, but you know his right pleasant looking back over the holiday season of the past and recalling the hang up times of the old range-land festive seasons, when every one knew all the folks for miles around and the pressure of our activities was not so great that we couldn't take time out to take in all the doings within the limits of a day or so's travel. Of course our mode of getting around in those days were a mile slower than they are now, but we generally arrived right on up. We never recollect of having much fuel line trouble, unless the custodian failed to have the cork started a trifle before embarking and cold hands made the job a trifle difficult enroute. Tire trouble has been known to develop but we were always able to find a piece of wire or strip of rawhide to tie the tire back on again. Most drivers were able to drive fairly with one hand so that cases of hooking onto a fence post were rare and only happened to tenderfeet and altho' we may have been quite a spell on the road getting to the scene of festivities we entered into the spirit of the occasion when we got there and didn't go bawling off to some other quarter where some members of the party opined were more hilarious. And it might seem almost unbelievable to the faster moving generation of these times the fun we used to have, shaking a boisterous heel to the lively old time tunes, with a square dance set going in the kitchen and another one or two in the living room and the fiddlers parked up on the kitchen table so more enthusiastic wouldn't bump into them. We always had plenty of cake too, which were always available and easily accessible during the whole evening, for we

had sizeable appetites which were no doubt whetted by our long drives in the cold weather air. If you went horseback you could keep fairly warm but if you drove a team and rig the only heater you would likely have would be a rock heated up in the oven before starting out. We usually stayed quite late too and it has been recorded that we even stayed and had flapjacks for breakfast before pulling out for the home ranch.

The extra clothes we put on to keep warm on our long drives in those days and the sorting out of outer garments, overshoes and mitts when you got ready to go home something away across the river, but if you got overshoes that didn't mate you usually were able to get matters straightened out satisfactorily at the next gathering.

It appears that in the eyes of the present younger generation we of the old school were easily satisfied as regards our entertainment. We recently read an effusion in an issue of the *Maclean*, and while we have heard the lamentations of many new arrivals, during our sojourn in this chinook-kissed, fun loving, hospitable part of God's great outdoors, this is the first time we ever heard of a tenderfoot wanting to advertise his particular case of homesickness by hunting forth into print. When they became afflicted as he was as poor boy we used to find some of them sitting on the ground, at the corner of the bunk-house, looking away across the prairie and seeing nothing of the natural beauty of the country, refusing to put on the nose-peg or take part of our innocent amusements, such as a game of stud or pitch and being just plain miserable. Others used to sit on the corral fence in the moonlight alone with their thoughts of a home back east and perhaps a lady waiting for them to make their future in the glorious west and come back for them. But the boys always recovered after the spell had run its course and after a time became princes of good fellows.

And we would like to suggest to this chap or any of the other boys who might be similarly afflicted that if the younger generation in the good old town of Macleod cannot furnish them with a good enough time to make them feel at home, that they get acquainted with some of the old timers and get them to relate some of the history of this famous old town, in their own original way, and we believe that the boys will come to the conclusion that they are staying, for the time being, in a town where real history was made and that they are confident that the boys of the old brigade will make the ghosts, the laddie written about in his poem, live again in such a realistic and amusing way that he will take a new interest in his surroundings and enjoy his stay in the famous old town and no doubt he will find as we did in the old days that the holiday season starts with Christmas and carries on right through and is climaxed by bawling out time on Burn's night.

—Wullie of the North Fork.

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WINTER SPORTS IN OLD-WORLD SETTING



Old Quebec City, whose four centuries of history have made it a favorite stopping place for summer tourists, has achieved equal prestige with the winter visitor in less than half a decade. The secret of this short cut to popularity lies in the sweeping growth of the ski habit, Quebec's glorious winter climate, its facilities for winter sports, and the snow-clad hills of Lac Beauport, 10 miles distant.

This year, with increased numbers of Canadians and Americans pointing their ski tips toward Quebec and Lac Beauport, the highlights of the Chateau Frontenac's gay winter sports season promise to shine more brightly

than ever. Headquarters for the famous Ski Hawk School and its equally famous instructor, Fritz Leoni, the popular Canadian Pacific hotelier will feature a gay programme of skating, hockey, curling, tobogganing, ski-joring, sleigh-driving, and ski-ing on the historic Plains of Abraham. The annual Dog Derby is scheduled for the third week in February.

Connected by regular bus service from the Chateau Frontenac, Lac Beauport is a model ski development. It possesses a handsome new chalet, thrilling downhill runs, alaiom courses and jumps of professional calibre. Mont Saint-Casimir, with twin alaiom runs 2,200 feet long, 100

to 300 feet wide, and served by a ski-lift, is a rendezvous for beginners and experts alike, while its neighboring Mont Tourbillon is reserved for the more seasoned ski artist. Here is located a professional ski jump, a downhill run of 4,000 feet and a 1,000-foot alaiom run. Lac Beauport is also the home of the scenic Ski Line Trail. Ideal weather and snow conditions are the main assets of the Lac Beauport snow-bowl. Deep, dry powder-snow offers the most favorable of ski conditions throughout the winter, snow depths registering as much as six feet, and providing good ski-ing from December till April and sometimes early May.

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WORLD HAPPENINGS
BRIEFLY TOLD

No more classes of gentlemen cadets will be entered into Royal Military College at Kingston, Ont., until after the war, national defence headquarters announced.

Private W. Laurin of the Canadian Army was fatally injured when he was run over by an ambulance after stepping off the sidewalk in a southern English town.

The Norwegian telegraph bureau reported that General Otto Ruge, who was commander-in-chief of Norway's forces, has been interned in a concentration camp near Dresden, Germany.

The British Broadcasting Corporation reported China and the Soviet Union have signed an agreement under which China is to sell \$100,000,000 worth of tea to the U.S.S.R.

The Dominion bureau of statistics estimated total production of the 1940 Canadian honey crop at 22,633,400 pounds, 21.6 per cent. lower than the 1939 crop.

The Air Department at Melbourne has announced that enlistments for The Royal Australian Air Force in the last six months have been maintained at the rate of five men an hour.

Herbert Morrison, minister of home security, said additional shelter accommodations for 105,000 persons has been provided since October, and the "worst of overcrowding in big shelters is now a thing of the past."

More than 155,000 special pass-ports have been issued in the last six months, officials said at Ottawa. The passports are being issued at the rate of 250 to 300 a day through the main office in Ottawa and six branch offices.

Rayon From Seaweed

British Scientists Have Found New Method Of Making Fabric

We shall be able to sing "Rule, Britannia" a little more loudly than ever when the new type of rayon fabric the basis of which is seaweed comes into general use; Britain's traditional mastery of the seas will have been demonstrated in a new direction.

The uses of the fabric and some of its uses were explained recently by the head of the Leeds University textile department at a meeting in Bradford; apparently it can be blended with wool or cotton, it dyes and washes well, and it is also non-flammable.

The mighty ocean is singularly prolific of seaweed and, apart from some varieties spread on the land as fertilizer, not much use has hitherto been made of it. It sounds a more convenient source of "ersatz" textiles than wood-pulp or milk, both of which are in high demand for other purposes.

There will still be room, of course, for the inevitable guinea. German textiles on a wood-pulp basis are reported to be liable to death-water beetle in the trouser pants. Seaweed stockings may be immune from fire but may develop barnacles instead of ladders.—Manchester Guardian.

Transportation In Europe

Gasoline Shortage Makes Use Of Strange Vehicles A Necessity

The horse limousine has made its appearance all over Europe, reports a writer in the London Daily Sketch. It is an ordinary four-seater motor-car, with a box seat built over the bonnet and a pair of shafts to take a horse. A brewery owner in Copenhagen was the first to convert his American-built saloon car into a horse-drawn vehicle — when petrol shortage followed the Nazi occupation of Denmark. The idea spread over Holland and Belgium, and then down to Paris as soon as the Hun arrived. The rickshaw and the bicycle-made-for-two followed in the wake of the horse limousine. The rickshaw in Paris is simply a tradesman's push cart in which the client sits. He is pulled by the "driver."

In the bicycle-made-for-two, the "driver" pedals in front; the "fare" sits in the back seat. The old horse-drawn carriage drawn by two animals has made a reappearance in Paris. A horse costs up to 30,000 francs, but it is reported a mule will cost only 250.

An historic portrait of Abraham Lincoln by Thomas Hicks, painted from life in Springfield, Ill., in June, 1860, after Lincoln's nomination for the Presidency, was recently sold at auction in New York City for \$11,100.

If there is no such thing as luck, explain why a mud-puddle, a fool driver and a car and your white trousers all happen to be within three feet of each other at the same time.

In Northern Ireland

Guarding Myriad Highways To Withstand Invasion

A thousand and one road blocks of cement and steel, designed to impede any invader, guard the myriad highways of Northern Ireland.

They are the strongest and finest devised to date by the military mind and are a vast improvement over the type that once dotted the highways elsewhere in these embattled islands. There is good reason to believe Lt.-General A. G. L. McNaughton may claim credit for the improvement of these vital blocks—at least for pointing out the need for the improvement if not for their actual development.

The Canadian soldier-scientist, whose agile mind is, in reality, a mobile research laboratory, was struck with the inadequacy of the blocks he saw in England and elsewhere. He arranged a demonstration to prove his point. The result was startling.

A monstrous 25-ton tank crushed two types of road barriers in the demonstration, staged before enough generals, brigadiers and other officers to staff an army.

The tank growled into the first barrier and crumpled it. The other block, whose cement and steel made it seem the last word in impregnable, withstood the first battering, but a second charge shattered its vital parts.

The lessons learned at this Canadian-staged show appear to have been embodied in the new blocks which guard Ulster's roads.

Behind these and other defences Irish, English and Welsh troops are settling down in Ulster for a winter of training and intensive schooling in strategy. While the B.T.I. (British Troops in Ireland) is kept by the possibility that invasion may come with tomorrow's dawn, the general belief is that a thrust will not be tried before the spring.

A senior staff officer at Northern Ireland command headquarters told the educational part of the training program is designed "to broaden the brain pan of the men."

By fostering individual initiative in battle it should make the army more mobile and the attack more fluid.

Has Proved Effective

Idea Of Community Pastures In Western Provinces Was Sound

Community pastures are among the most promising experiments—if they can still be called "experiments"—in the better utilization of land in the prairie provinces. The growth of the movement to develop the land is proving. Fifty-five of them are now in active operation, comprising over a million acres, of which some fifty-seven thousand have been seeded to created wheat grass, with another fifty thousand to be seeded in the future.

In the 1938-39 season 1,935 horses, 1,281 cattle and 74 sheep were pastured on these projects. In 1939-40, 3,710 horses, 7,712 cattle and 500 sheep and for the 1940-41 season it is estimated that these pastures will feed 6,000 horses, 15,000 cattle and 700 sheep.

The support thus given to thousands of head of valuable livestock is only a part of the profit the West gets from community pastures. In addition, the land occupied by them is being improved and in many cases prevented from degeneration into desert, and farmers all around them are profiting by their existence.

A million acres is not a large area in our huge western country, but just as a million acres of depressing dust might spread to many millions more, so a million acres of hopeful husbandry may be expected to spread their lessons of courage, initiative and the utilization of science and commonsense in solving western problems. — Family Herald and Weekly Star.

Eligible For Service

Population of the United States includes more than seven million male whites of foreign birth, with Italians, Germans and Russians leading numerically. In many cases these naturalized citizens, including a substantial number of former Canadians who took out papers for business reasons and probably did not contemplate the possibility of a draft for military service.

New airplane passenger and mail services recently instituted have brought the western half of South America and Buenos Aires 24 hours closer to the United States than formerly.

Four made up some boys by extracting the oil can be used in making adhesives, glue and insulated boards. It is also utilized in manufacturing insecticides.

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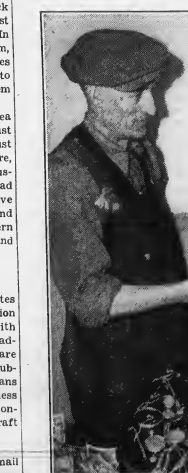
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North Pole At Sea Level
The North Pole is at sea level and the Arctic region has considerable rain and supports about 1,500,000 inhabitants. In contrast, the South Pole is at an altitude of 9,000 feet and the Antarctic region has no rain and no permanent human life.

The sun is 92,000,000 miles away from the earth, but the next nearest star to us, the Alpha Centauri, is 25,000,000,000 miles distant.

Hitler boasts he has no intention of winding up his career as Napoleon did, but then neither had Napoleon.

BOOST BOMBER FUND



P. C. Oke, freight carpenter at Weston Shops, hands over to W. Worboys, one of the Golden Bomber Fund committee from the shops, Queen Victoria Jubilee sovereign of 1937 to swell the Canadian Pacific Railway's western lines quota of \$50,000 to help buy an airplane bomber in freedom's cause. This particular gift was a keystone donated by Mr. Oke's wife and is one of the many personal gifts made spontaneously by C.P.R. employees and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Oke have two sons serving with the Canadian forces overseas. Mr. Oke is a South African War veteran. When the entire fund is collected, \$100,000 will be handed over to the authorities by the C.P.R.

Find Children Adaptable

Teachers Say British War Guests Are Liking Co-Education

A term of Canadian schooling has shown British war guests here to be well ahead of Canadian pupils in some subjects—behind in others. They are poor mathematicians, but excellent linguists; their oral English is "outstanding," according to Principal H. F. Guleson of Rosedale School. "I do not believe they are as vigorous physically as our children," Mr. Guleson said. "They seem more engrossed in mental pursuits. But on the whole it would be pretty hard for an observer to pick out the Britisher in our playground. The only real difference is in accent."

The children are happy. Co-education is new to most of them, and both boys and girls like it. Snow is "what we like most in Canada," one girl declared.

A nine-year-old was critical of his government. "We were given only 24 hours' sailing notice and I had no time to collect my skates, which I need very badly here. Don't you think the government should have given us more notice?"

"The teachers aren't as cranky here," was another youngster's contribution, as the relative merits of the British camps and the Canadian strap were being discussed. "We have to lean over and touch our toes, and our headmaster has three bamboo canes—a short one, a medium and a long one," he said graphically.

Disparity in the educations of Canadian and English children is overcome by the age of 10, teachers agreed. Thereafter they are on equal footing as "the British child slows down to our pace."

One teacher spoke of the Canadian pupils, commenting on their "excessive sympathy and understanding in helping their young guests to adjust themselves."

Plastic Planes

Government Seeks Exclusive Rights To 'Vital Process'

The Dominion government has obtained exclusive rights to the vital plastic process for aircraft production in Canada and has ordered two plastic fuselages to be given "destruction tests," the munitions and supply department announced.

"These fuselages will be carried through to destruction tests and if they are successful airplanes with plastic fuselages, wings, tail plane assemblies and other components may be flying over Canada before the end of 1941," said Ralph Bell, director-general of aircraft production.

"If the process yields a product that will do all that its inventors claim for it, Canada will be in the forefront in this field," Bell said.

The department said the use of plastics would have two important results in aircraft production, sharp reduction in costs and a substantial increase in output.

"Various components which now take days to produce could be turned out in hours and there would be great savings in man-hours in many phases of manufacture," said the statement.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

DECEMBER 29

JESUS REQUIRES FAITHFULNESS

Golden text: To whomsoever much is given, of him shall much be required. Luke 12:48.

Lesson: Luke 12. Devotional reading: Revelation 3:10-12.

Explanations and Comments

A Lesson on Preparedness, Luke 12:35-40. Watch eagerly for the coming of the king, Jesus bade his disciples, even as servants of a master, with their long flowing robes caught up by a girdle that they may move more freely, and with their lamps burning, await his return from the marriage feast, ready to open the door quickly for him. When the master finds them watching, he in his joy will himself take the place of a servant and make them sit down and will serve them.

Jesus next used a new figure, that of a master who on his guard against the coming of a thief at an unexpected time. And the conclusion of it all is: Be ye also ready, for in an hour that ye think not, the Son of man cometh.

A Lesson in Faithfulness, Luke 12:41-48. "Speakest thou this parable unto us, or even unto all?" Peter asked, to know, and thought instead of a direct answer Jesus gave another parable, we see that his words were directed mainly to the apostles, to those in authority. His words showed Peter and the rest that the privileged are those who fulfil the condition of faithfulness. "Who then (if not each of you) is the faithful and wise steward," Jesus asked, "whom his lord has set over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season?" Great shall be the reward of those found faithful. "Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. Notice the parallelism in form of this verse and verse 37: in verse 37 faithfulness is enlarged, and in verse 43, work in the former rest is promised and in the latter, rule.

The parable concludes with a sentence on the law of stewardship, of personal responsibility, in condensed: And to whomsoever much is given, of him shall much be required; and to whom they commit much, of him will they ask the more.

Canada Carries On

Red Cross Campaign Has Gone Over The Top

The Canadian Red Cross Society has gone well over the top in its nationwide appeal for \$5,000,000 and the total realized to date is \$5,904,989. It was announced by Norman Sommerville, K.C., National chairman. Campaigns in other provinces have been completed for some weeks, but announcement of the result has been held up pending a report from Alberta, where the appeal for funds was delayed to meet local conditions. Altogether the campaign has raised \$259,514 on its \$300,000 objective, and the indications are that the province will go well over the top.

Every other province in the Dominion has exceeded its objective. Ontario leads with a total of \$2,869,236, exceeding its goal by more than \$400,000. Quebec is aiming for \$1,000,000, collected \$1,240,000. Results in the other provinces are: Prince Edward Island, \$28,000; Nova Scotia, \$220,151; New Brunswick, \$130,088; Manitoba, \$368,000; Saskatchewan, \$259,000; British Columbia, \$535,000.

The society accepts this splendid result as a further mandate to carry on its mission of mercy for the relief of suffering caused by war among both the military and civilian population. "Mr. Sommerville said, "Every aid raised in Britain makes a new challenge to the society, which is met at once by the provision of supplies made by the women of Canada and stored in Great Britain to meet such emergencies. Canada intends to carry on."

Will Need More Donors

Capacity Of Blood Powder Machine May Soon Be Doubled

The capacity of a machine which turns 100 quarts of blood weekly into a powder for use in transfusions for Canada's armed forces may soon be doubled. Dr. D. Y. Solandt of the University of Toronto, announced. The machine, purchased through the department of national defence, is being operated by Dr. C. H. Best in the university's physiological hygiene department.

Dr. Solandt said the powder blood is mixed with water for transfusion and he believes it will be used for all transfusion work after the war. It eliminates the need for "typing" blood and is not affected by temperature. It lasts indefinitely.

If the machine's capacity is doubled the Canadian Red Cross Society will be asked to supply 800 donors a week, Dr. Solandt said.

The United States Department of Conservation statistics show that approximately 20,000,000,000 feet of lumber is available standing in North Carolina forests.

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"THE CANADIAN MOTHER AND CHILD"

"Those who are aware of the ill-effects suffered in childbirth will welcome the book as a contribution to the well-being of mother and child," says R. E. Wodehouse, M.D., Deputy Minister of the Department of Pensions and National Health, in a foreword to "The Canadian Mother and Child," written by Ernest Coutu, M.D., Director of the Child and Maternal Hygiene Division and published by the Department, for free distribution.

It would be difficult to speak too highly in praise of the book referred to, either as regards its manner or its contents. Any young and inexperienced prospective mother would gain confidence and reassurance from its perusal, and the mother of a family may obtain from it much valuable information.

Throughout the work, the usual technical style of the medical writer is noticeably absent. Instead, facts, suggestions and advice are simply worded and presented in a chatty, informal manner which adds to their effectiveness.

The book, containing some 223 pages of reading matter, is divided into four main sections: Care of the Expectant Mother; The Baby's Arrival; Care of the Baby, and the Ideal Baby. Each is again divided into chapters completely covering the subject, while an exhaustive index makes reference easy. Diagrams, photographs and photographic reproductions still further simplify the content.

Such topics as diet, exercise, clothing and general hygiene for the expectant mother are discussed in Part I, the need for pre-natal care being stressed.

Instructions, technical in matter but not in language, are supplied for the benefit of mothers in isolated areas who may be unable to secure the services of a doctor. Care of the baby occupies the next two sections.

The treatment of childhood complaints is dealt with, and the little book includes instructions for knitting and making various garments, and recipes for tasty, nutritious and simple dishes.

"The Canadian Mother and Child," of which a French edition is now in course of preparation, may be obtained without charge by filling in and mailing the attached form to The Deputy Minister, Dept. of Pensions and National Health, Daily Building, Ottawa, Canada.

Please send me, free of charge, a copy of "The Canadian Mother and Child."

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Important Aviation Research

Discloses That Successful Pilots Usually Have Musical Ability

The University of Toronto is the empire centre of research in a work which may well establish the difference between victory and defeat in the air. Dr. H. A. Armstrong told the Royal Canadian Institute in Convocation hall, Dr. Armstrong is the author of the only book in existence on "Aviation Medicine," and this year he will with two other doctors receive from President Roosevelt a trophy for the year's most valuable contribution to aviation.

One of the most important branches of the research was that in high altitude flying, he said.

Research had disclosed characteristics usually found in successful pilots, Dr. Armstrong said. One is inherent musical ability. "It isn't necessarily developed, but you'll find very few pilots who can't carry a tune or who couldn't be trained to play a musical instrument," he said.

Sabotage Problem

United States Investigators Have Matter Well In Hand

Leading New York industrialists were told by Edward A. Tamm, assistant director of the federal bureau of investigation, that the F.B.I. has the question of sabotage and espionage well in hand in the United States.

"To-day the F.B.I. knows the identities of the leaders of foreign espionage in the United States," Tamm said. "True, there have been relatively few arrests and prosecutions. Flushing the quarry now would not make America more secure. On the other hand, it would render the country less standing in the eyes of the advances that have been made."

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JELLO ICE CREAM POWDER

The Park Lane Mystery

By Edgar Wallace

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CHAPTER XXVIII.—Continued

Mr. Harlow walked along the passage to the door leading down to the street. It was open. So also was the street door.

He stood for a while at the head of the stairs, his hands in his pockets, the dead cigar between his teeth. Then he descended, closed the door, and, walking back to the sitting room, threw the cigar into the fire-place and, lighting another, sat down to consider matters, his forehead wrinkled painfully. Presently he gave utterance to the thought which filled his mind.

"I do hope that poor fellow is careful how he crosses the road—he isn't used to motor traffic!"

But there were policemen who would help a timid, bearded man across the busy streets, and it was rather early for heavy traffic.

That thought comforted. He took up the newspaper and in a second was absorbed in the Welbury divorce suit which occupied the greater part of the page.

CHAPTER XXIX.

Allen Rivers might well have excused herself from attending at her office; but she hated the hours of her absence would occasion, and she felt, she told herself, remarkably well when she woke at noon.

Mr. Stebbings greeted her as though she had not been absent until lunch time, to his great inconvenience, and one might not imagine, from his matter-of-fact attitude, that he had been badgered by telephone messages and police visitations during the twelve hours which preceded her arrival.

He made no reference to her adventure until late in the afternoon, when she brought in some letters for him to sign. He put his careful signature to each sheet, and then looked up.

"James Carlton comes of a very good family. I knew his father rather well."

She went suddenly red at this, and was for the moment so thrown off her balance that she could not ask him what James Carlton's parentage had to do with a promiscuous and involved letter on the subject of leases.

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"He was most anxious about you, naturally," Mr. Stebbings rambled on aimlessly. "I was in bed when he called me up—I have never heard a man who sounded so worried. It is curious that one does not associate the police force with those human emotions which are common in us all, and I confess it was a great surprise—in a sense a gratifying surprise! I have seen him once; quite a good-looking young man, and although the emoluments of his office are not great, he appeals to me as one who has the capacity for making any woman happy." He paused. "If women can be made happy," he added, the misogynist in him coming to the surface.

"I really don't know what you mean, Mr. Stebbings," she said, very hot, a little incoherent, but not altogether distressed.

"Will you take this letter?" said Mr. Stebbings, dismissing distracted detectives and hot-faced girls from his mind, and immediately she was plunged into the technology of an obscure trusteeship which the firm of Stebbings were engaged in contesting.

As Aileen grew calmer, the shock of the discovery grew in poignancy. A girl who finds herself to be in love experiences a queer sense of desolation and loneliness. It is an emotion which seems unsharable, and the more she thought of Jim Carlton, the more she was satisfied that the affection was one-sided, that she was wasting her time and thought on a man who did not care for her any more than he cared for every other girl he met, and that love was a disease which was best cured by fasting and self-repression.

She was in this conventional frame of mind when there came a gentle tap at her door. She called "Come in!"—the handle turned, and a man walked nervously into the room. A tall man, hatless, collarless, and inadequately clad. An overcoat many times too broad for him was buttoned up to the neck, and although he wore shoes he was stockinged, and his legs were covered by a pair of dark blue pajamas. He stroked his long beard nervously and looked at the girl in doubt.

"Excuse me, madame," he said, "is this the office of Stebbings, Field & Farrow?"

She had risen in amazement. "Yes. Do you wish to see Mr. Stebbings?"

He nodded, looked nervously round at the door and closed it behind him.

"If you please," he said, "What name shall I say?" she asked.

He drew a long breath.

"Will you tell him that Mr. Stratford Harlow wishes to see him?" Her mouth opened in amazement. "Stratford Harlow?" "Is he here?" He nodded.

"I am Stratford Harlow," he said simply.

The gentleman who for twenty-three years had borne the name of Stratford Harlow was sipping a cup of China tea when the bell rang. He finished the tea, nibbled a biscuit, and wiped his mouth with a silk handkerchief. Again the bell shrilled. Mr. Harlow rose with a smile, dusted the crumbs from his coat, and, passing in the passage to take down an overcoat and a hat from their pegs, walked down the stairs and threw open the door.

Jim Carlton was standing on the sidewalk, and with him three gentlemen who were unmistakably detectives.

"I want you, Harlow," he said. "I thought you might," said Mr. Harlow pleasantly. "Is that your car?" He patted his pockets. "I think I have everything necessary to a prisoner of state. You may handcuff me if you wish, though I would prefer that you did not. I do not carry arms. I regard any man who resists arrest by the use of weapons as a cowardly barbarian! For the police have their duties—very painful duties sometimes, pleasant duties at others—I am not quite sure in which category yours will fall."

Elk opened the car door and Mr. Harlow stepped in, settled himself comfortably in the corner, and asked: "May I smoke?"

He produced a cigar from his coat pocket and Elk held the light as the motorcar moved toward Every street.

"There is one thing I would like to ask you, Carlton," he said, half turning his head toward his captor, who sat by his side. "I read in the newspapers that the ports were being watched and all sorts of extraordinary precautions were being taken against my leaving the country. I presume that the news of my arrest will be made known immediately to these watchful gentlemen? I should hate to feel that they were

HAVE A TASTE OF COMMONWEALTH CHRISTMAS PUDDING



A Canadian army cook from Peterborough, Ontario, whose name is Cooke, offers a taste of his newly made Christmas pudding to Staff Sgt. Hollis of the New Zealand A.S.C. Judging by the expression on the sergeant's face, Cook Cooke must be some cook.

tramping up and down a cold, windswept quay looking for a man who was already in custody. That would spoil his night's sleep."

Jim humored his mood.

"They will be notified," he said.

"You found Marling, of course? He has suffered no injury? . . . I am very relieved. It is difficult to conceive the confusion which must arise in the mind of a man who left the world in the days of horse-drawn busses and hansom cabs, and return to find the streets crowded with death-dealing automobiles, driven usually at a pace beyond the legal limit."

"Yes, Mr. Harlow is in good hands."

"Call him Marling," said the other. "And Marling he must remain until my duplicity is proved beyond any question. I will make the matter easy for you by admitting that he is Stratford Selwyn Mortimer Harlow."

He went off at a tangent, a trick of his.

"I should have gone away a long time ago and defied you to bring home to me any offense against the law. But I am intensely curious—by my dearest wish were realized, I would be suspended in a condition of disembodied consciousness to watch the progress of the world through the next 200,000 years! I would like to see what new nations arise, what new powers overspread the earth, what new continents will be pushed up from the sea and old continents submerged! Two hundred thousand years! There will be a new Rome, a new barbarian Britain, a new continent of America populated by indescribable beings. New Ptolemys and Pharaohs getting themselves embalmed, and never dreaming that their magnificent tombs shall be buried under sand and forgotten until they are dug out to be gaped at by tourists, who will pay two pence a peep!"

He sighed, flicked the ash of his cigar on the floor of the car.

"Well, here I am at the end. I've seen it out. I know now into which department the little whirling ball of

fate has fallen. It is extremely interesting."

They hurried him into the charge room and put him in the steel pen, and he beamed round the room.

In an undertone to Jim he said:

"Can anything be done to prevent the newspapers with an accord describing what they will call the 'irony' of my appearance in a police station which I presented to the nation? Almost I am tempted to present a million pounds to the journals which refrain from this obvious comment."

He listened in silence to the charge which Elk read, interrupting only once.

"Suspected of causing the death of Mrs. Gibbins? How perfectly absurd! However, that is a matter for the lawyers to thrash out."

With the jailer's hand on his arm he disappeared to the cells.

"And that's that!" said Jim, with a heartfelt sigh of relief.

"Where's the real fellow?" asked Elk.

"At the house in Park Lane. He's got the whole story for us. I've arranged to have a police stenographer at 9 o'clock to-night."

At 9 o'clock the bearded man sat in Mr. Harlow's library, and began in hesitant tones to tell his amazing story.

CHAPTER XXX.

"My name is Stratford Selwyn Mortimer Harlow, and as a child I lived, as you know, with my aunt, Miss Mercy Harlow, a very rich and eccentric lady, who assumed full charge of me and quarrelled with my other aunts over the question of my care."

"I do not remember very distinctly the early days of my life. I have an idea, which Marling confirms, that I was a backward child—backward mentally, that is to say—and that my condition caused the greatest anxiety to Miss Mercy, who lived in terror lest I become feeble-minded and she in some way be held responsible for her sisters. This fear

HERE'S A DANGEROUS JOB—EXPLODING MINES



This man's job is one of the most dangerous in war-time England. It is to destroy German mines that have been swept from the sea by his buddies in the R.M.S. "Rendering Mines Safe." After the mine is hauled up on the beach, it is dismantled. The explosives are taken out and burned.

became an obsession in her, and I was kept out of the way whenever visitors called at the house, and practically saw nobody but Miss Mercy, her maid, Mrs. Edwin, and her maid's son, Lemuel, who on two occasions was, I believe, substituted for me—he being a very healthy child.

"I know nothing about the circumstances of his birth, but it is a fact that he was never called by the name of Edwin, except by Miss Mercy, and she continued even after the time came for him to go to school and the production of his birth certificate made it necessary that he should bear the name of his father, Marling."

(To Be Continued)

The Country Inn

Doing A Good Business In Towns Adjacent To London

Hotels and boarding houses in the small country towns within easy reach of London are busy establishments now.

The casual visitor is fortunate if he can secure a room overnight, for these places which used to cater chiefly for temporary guests have become the residence of many Londoners whose homes have been destroyed or damaged, and who are able to settle for the time being in localities from which a daily journey to London is possible.

The country inn, off the beaten track, has acquired a new lease of life. Its often neglected residential accommodation has not been in such eager demand for years.

On the whole, small tendency is shown to make fantastically increased charges, probably because these semi-rural areas are not far enough from London to escape raids and noisy nights—Edinburgh Scotsman.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

HUMILITY

True humility is not an abject, groveling, self-deprecating spirit; it is but a right estimate of ourselves as God sees us.—Tryon Edwards.

There is no humiliation for humility.—Joseph Roux.

They that know God will be humble; they that know themselves cannot be proud.—Flavel.

Human pride is human weakness. Self-knowledge, humility, and love are divine strength.—Mary Baker Eddy.

There is but one road to lead us to God—humility; all other ways would only lead astray, even were they fenced in with all virtues.—Boileau.

Lord of all life, below, above, Whose light is truth, whose warmth is love,

Before Thy ever blazing throne We ask no lustre of our own.

—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Not An Asset

Not bad is the jest making the rounds of Istanbul's cafes. "I hear Italy has a new secret weapon," says one habitué. "Really?" asks a companion. "What is it?" "One regiment of German infantry" is the reply. This reminds us of the late Lord Lothian's dry remark to a German diplomat who boasted that the Italians had joined the Axis. The British Ambassador rejoined: "Well, after all, my dear fellow, that's only fair. We had to put up with them last time."



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YOU ALWAYS FIND CHEER IN THESE FAVORITE POEMS

"Let me live in my house by the side of the road And be a friend to man."



Like a welcoming light in the dusk, an encouraging word from a friend—these lines from the loved poem by Sam Walter Fens. Do you remember how it ends?

"Then why should I sit in the corner's seat, Or hurl the cynic's ban?— Let me live in my house by the side of the road And be a friend to man."

Favorite poems—alive with the simple yet great emotions—for these we can be really thankful. You are never at a loss for cheering, inspiring companionship when you can turn to them.

Read "I Hear America Singing" by Walt Whitman. It begins:

"I hear America singing, the varied carols I hear; Those of mechanics—each one singing his, as it should be, blithe and strong—"

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"O, it sets my heart a-cickin' like the tickin' of a clock, When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock!"

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- 139—"Secrets of Good Conversation"
- 183—"Self-Instruction in Short-hand"

War-Time Facts

Librarians Are Urged To Collect And Preserve Material

In the November issue of the Ontario Library Review is published an article by Professor Fred Landon, urging librarians to collect and preserve material bearing on the military activities of their respective localities, for the future use of "those who search back for light upon war conditions." At the close of the last Great War, Professor Landon made a similar suggestion, the result being that a considerable volume of data which might otherwise have been lost was made available to historians and the public in general. The Hamilton library is at present holding an interesting exhibition of posters, pictures and documents of various kinds which were produced during the four years of warfare, 1914-1918. The collection would have been still more complete if at that time more citizens had sent in duplicate reports of local activities, and it is felt, because of that experience, a greater effort should be made to gather as much information as possible on the present conflict.

"There is only one time to glean this war material," Professor Landon states, "that is when it first appears."—Hamilton Spectator.

The original copy of Isaac Newton's "Principia Mathematica" published in London in 1687, will be among the rare books and manuscripts to be sold at auction in New York for the benefit of a war relief fund.

Snakes do not catch birds by "hypnotizing them," says a writer in the Scientific Monthly.

The earth gains about 100,000 tons of weight in a year from meteoric material, mostly dust, from the sky.

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LOCAL NEWS

Jim Fraser is a hospital patient. Mr. Wm. Cousins is confined to his home with the flu.

Mrs. D. Gentile is confined to her home through sickness.

Miss Edna Fairhurst spent the holidays with friends at Calgary.

Mrs. Florence Smith plans on leaving shortly to spend a vacation at Regina.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Celli, of Creston, are the guests of their son, Floyd.

Miss Sylvia Evans, of Edmonton, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Rhodes, of Lundbreck, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Antle.

Mr. and Mrs. Greville Howarth, of Stirling, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dunlop.

Jack Chalmers had the misfortune to damage his car during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Wragg are spending the Christmas holidays with relatives at Calgary.

Miss Blanche Higginbotham, of Nelson, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Higginbotham.

Lance Corporal Edward Bernard, C.A.M.F., of Medicine Hat, spent the Christmas holidays at his home here.

Miss Belle Flynn, of Calgary, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Flynn.

Miss Peggy Emmerson, of St. Joseph's hospital, Victoria, is spending a month's vacation at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bielle and son, of Calgary, are in town looking over prospects of opening up a business here.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Reid and daughter, of Calgary, spent the Christmas holiday the guest of Mr. Arthur Reid.

Due to mild weather the opening game between Bill Cole's Bellevue Bulldogs and Coleman Miners was postponed.

Mr. Malcolm Fraser, of Vancouver, is spending the holidays with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Paterson.

Mr. Owen Jones, teacher at Picture Butte school, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jones.

Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Kirk and family motored to High River for the Christmas holiday where they were the guests of friends.

School teachers home for the holidays include the Misses Mary Graham, Winnifred and Mary McIntyre, Nora Easton, Rita Ash, Ruth Sudworth and Virginia Janotak.

George Evans and son, Henry, are both combed to their home through sickness.

"Slim" Shaler is spending the holidays visiting friends at Turner Valley and Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. James Radley spent the Christmas holidays with relatives at Lethbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Dickison and daughter spent Christmas Day with relatives at Calgary.

Miss Mary Hoyle, Edmonton Normal school student, is spending the holidays at her home here.

Mr. H. Dafeo, travelled to Lethbridge where he spent the Christmas holidays with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Blain and children, of Kimberley, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nash.

Miss Betty Beveridge and Mr. Jack Robinson of Calgary, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Beveridge.

Mrs. George Kellock and son, Jim, accompanied by Mrs. J. Kinneer, sr., motored to Calgary last week.

Wm. Copeland, of Kimberley, former employee of Sentinel Motors, spent Christmas Day in Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Haman and baby, of Natal, spent the holiday at the home of Mrs. Jack Houghton.

Mr. Eddie Krywolt, of Fort William, Ont., is spending a vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Krywolt.

Norman Schnepf, of Trail, was the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hogan during the Christmas holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kinnear, jr., suffered minor bruises in a car accident when returning from Calgary last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fraser McLeod and family of Calgary, spent the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. A. W. H. McLeod.

Miss Alma Wilson, of Calgary Normal school, is spending the Christmas and New Year's holiday at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Smith spent the Christmas at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. Sanderson, at Turner Valley.

Miss Frances Short, of Sacred Heart convent, Calgary, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Short.

David Smith, Freddie Beddington, and Gordon Milley, students at Medicine Hat air training school, are spending the holidays at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Morgan and family, of Pincher Creek, and Mr. and Mrs. I. Haysom and son, of Bellevue, were the guests of Mr. Wm. Haysom on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Warbols, Milan Kovac, of Lethbridge, and Miss Irene Kovac, of Calgary, are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Kovac.

Flying Officer Foss Boulton and James Pennington, of the R.C.A.F. and R.A.F. respectively, and Frank Sharp motored from Calgary to spend the Christmas Day here.

Flying Officer Pennington was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boulton. His home is at Victoria, B.C. and has been in the R.A.F. for the past five years.

He took part in the pamphlet raids over Germany at the start of the war and still retains some of the pamphlets in his possession.

Pte. and Mrs. Mel Cousins returned to Edmonton December 26, after spending Christmas at the home of Pte. Cousins' parents.

Miss Irene James, high school teacher at High River, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. James.

Miss Gwen Dunlop, of Calgary, and Mr. Hugh Dunlop, of Cherry Grove, are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dunlop.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Alexander and daughter, Joyce, are the guests of Mrs. Alexander's parents at Monarch during the Christmas holiday.

Pte. Jim Anderson and Pte. Jesse Hirst of the S.A.R. stationed at Nanaimo, are expected home on furlough for the New Year's holidays.

The Journal acknowledges Christmas greetings from Mr. and Mrs. Montague Wilson, of East Arrow Park, B.C., which are heartily reciprocated.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Holmes will celebrate their silver wedding anniversary on December 28. They were married in Coleman on December 28, 1915.

Bill Nicholson of Everett, Washington, and son of Mrs. Gamache, came home for the funeral of his step-father and will remain until after the New Year.

Doug, Ross, 2nd Canadian Scottish Regiment, stationed at Victoria, came from the B.C. capital by plane to spend the Christmas holidays at his home at Crows Nest.

Mr. and Mrs. McKay and daughter, of Blairmore, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Smith, of Lethbridge, spent the Christmas holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Derbyshire.

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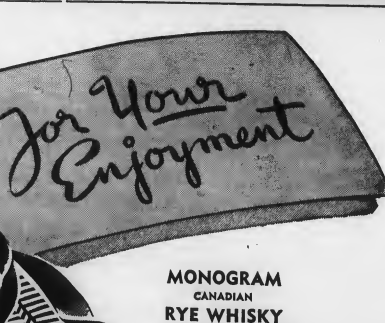
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